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**TITLE: DEVICE FOR ADJUSTING THE CARRYING POSITION OF A RUCKSACK****1. Type of Application**

This is a request for filing a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION** under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application International Application No. **PCT/FR03/00786**, having an international filing date of **March 12, 2003**, entitled ***Device for Adjusting the Carrying Position of a Rucksack***, which designated the United States.

**2. Papers Enclosed****A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:**

- 17 Page(s) of Specification  
5 Page(s) of Claims  
1 Page(s) of Abstract  
16 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-22)

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**B. Other Papers Enclosed**

- A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney
- A Preliminary Amendment
- A Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document and a certified copy of:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
France	02.03497	March 15, 2002

- Information Disclosure Statement
- Form PTO-1449
- An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to:

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- PCT/IB/308
- PCT/IPEA/416 and PCT/IPEA/409
- International Publication (front page only)

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**4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

**5. Relate Back**

**A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)**

Priority of provisional application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

**5. Relate Back (Cont'd.)**

**B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)**

[] Priority of said prior application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
PCT/FR03/00786	March 12, 2003	Parent

**C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application**

[] Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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**6. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:**

<b>Basic Filing fee (37 CFR §1.16(a))</b>				\$ 770.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total Claims	17 - 20 =	0	× \$ 18.00	
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	× \$ 86.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$290.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$ 770.00
[ <input type="checkbox"/> ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$ 770.00
[ <input type="checkbox"/> ] Fee for processing an application filed with a specification in a non-English language (37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) and 1.52(d)--\$130.00)				
[ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] Assignment Fee (37 CFR §1.21(h)--\$40.00)				\$ 40.00
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>				\$ 810.00

**7. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment**

- A check in the amount of \$810.00 is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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